week, we were able to proceed to report and confirm Larry Thompson to be the Deputy Attorney General at the Department of Justice and Dan Bryant to be the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legislative Affairs. I understand that they were sworn in last Friday and, again, congratulate them and their families.

I have spoken to Attorney General Ashcroft about the staffing needs of the Department of Justice and assured him that I will do my part. For those with short memories, I note that Attorney General Ashcroft was confirmed 6 weeks before Attorney General Reno's confirmation in the last administration and the Deputy Attorney General was confirmed 3 weeks before his counterpart in the last administration. Assistant Attorney General Bryant was confirmed 7 weeks before his counterpart in the previous administration.

The committee is moving expeditiously on the administration's nominations to the Department of Justice. Indeed, we are ahead of the confirmations schedule of the Clinton administration for each and every nominee confirmed to date.

The Clinton administration's Assistant Attorney General to head the Criminal Division was not confirmed until November. The committee proceeded to consider the Chertoff nomination this week, after a hearing last week. That is extremely expeditious. Indeed, in spite of Mr. Chertoff's role as the lead counsel to the Republicans in the Whitewater investigation, an extremely partisan effort, we are moving ahead. Mr. Chertoff explained at his hearing that he understands the role of the head of the Criminal Division and will carry out those functions without regard to politics or partisanship. I believe him and look forward to working with him.

The Assistant Attorney General to head the Office for Policy Development in the last administration was not confirmed until August, 95 days after her nomination. Professor Dinh did not return his responses to written questions until this Tuesday. He was precipitously placed on the committee agenda last week. Once his responses were in, he was considered and reported out this week, months ahead of his counterpart in the last administration.

While we consider the current nominations, the many dedicated employees at the Department of Justice continue to work, do their jobs, and serve the public. Many of the comments made over the last several weeks disparage their fine work and commitment. I see no evidence that the Department is "floundering" or that the dedicated public servants who staff the Department and the United States Attorneys' offices around the country have stopped doing their jobs.

The chairman has noticed another hearing for Department of Justice

nominees next week, although he has yet to specify who will be included at that hearing, which is less than a week away. Democrats on the committee are continuing to work expeditiously and cooperatively to consider, report and confirm the vast majority of the President's nominations to the Department of Justice.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT COMPLIANCE

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, pursuant to section 313(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, I submit for the RECORD a list of material in S. 896 considered to be extraneous under subsections (b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(B), and (b)(1)(E) of section 313. The inclusion or exclusion of material on the following list does not constitute a determination of extraneousness by the Presiding Officer of the Senate.

To the best of my knowledge, S. 896, the Restoring Earnings to Lift Individuals and Empower Families (RELIEF) Reconciliation Act of 2001, contains no material considered to be extraneous under subsections (b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(B), and (b)(1)(E) of section 313 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, in a speech in Philadelphia on Monday, President Bush spoke out about gun violence in this country. Citing alarming statistics about the number of Americans killed and injured by handguns each year, he stated that "this is unacceptable in America. It's just unacceptable, and we're going to do something about it." The President emphasized that "we're going to reduce gun violence in America, and those who commit crimes with guns will find a determined adversary in my administration." I commend the President for his commitment to helping eliminate gun violence.

In his speech, the President introduced "Project Safe Neighborhoods." an initiative to combat gun violence. The main focus of this initiative is on the increased enforcement of existing gun laws and more vigorous prosecution of crimes committed with handguns. The President plans to devote \$550 million in funding to this initiative over the next 2 years. The majority of the funding will be dedicated to hiring new Federal and State prosecutors to focus on gun crimes, updating State criminal record systems, improving Federal ballistics testing that trace illegal guns and developing regional task forces of Federal. State and local law enforcement agencies to catch and prosecute criminals in gun cases.

Although there is often disagreement about the best approach to ending gun violence, we can all agree that enforcement of our gun laws and prosecution of people who use guns illegally are essential elements to any successful approach. Since 1993, increased law enforcement and prosecution efforts have resulted in a 16 percent increase in the number of gun cases filed and a 41 percent increase in the number of offenders sentenced to more than 5 years in prison. These increases in enforcement efforts enjoy broad bipartisan support. I commend the President for building upon this consensus by taking another step toward ensuring that gun criminals are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

While I agree with the aims of the President's initiative, I believe that it is not enough. We must also make it harder for criminals to get guns in the first place, by closing the gun show loophole that allows the purchase of handguns without a background check. Although he stated during the presidential campaign that he supported closing the gun show loophole, President Bush did not mention it in his speech on Monday. The President expressed that "Project Safe Neighborhoods is one step, an important step" toward making domestic tranquility a reality. I hope that the President will take the next, necessary step toward protecting the citizens of this country by supporting efforts to close the gun show loophole.

SUBMITTING CHANGES TO COM-MITTEE ALLOCATIONS, FUNC-TIONAL LEVELS, AND BUDG-ETARY AGGREGATES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, section 310(c)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act, as amended, provides the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee with authority to revise committee allocations, functional levels, and budgetary aggregates for a reconciliation bill which fulfills an instruction with respect to both outlays and revenues. The Chairman's authority under 310(c) may be exercised if the following conditions have been satisfied:

- 1. The Committee on Finance reports a bill which changes the mix of the instructed revenue and outlay changes by not more than 20 percent of the sum of the components of the instruction, and
- 2. The Committee on Finance still complies with the overall reconciliation instruction.

I find that S. 896, as reported, satisfies the two conditions above and, pursuant to my authority under section 310(c), I hereby submit revisions to H. Con. Res. 83, the 2002 Budget Resolution. The attached tables show the current 2002 Budget Resolution figures as well as the revised committee allocations, functional levels, and budgetary aggregates, and I ask unanimous consent to have them printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows;

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002 - H. CON. RES. 83 CONFERENCE AGREEMENT

SECTION	SECTION 101 (in billions)				
(1)(A) Reve	(1)(A) Revenues (on-budget)	(3) Budget	(3) Budget Outlays (on-budget)	(6) Debt He	(6) Debt Held by the Public
FY 2001	1630.462	FY 2001	1600.529	FY 2001	3243.211
FY 2002	1638.202	FY 2002	1476.841	FY 2002	2924.234
FY 2003	1706.044	FY 2003	1641.515	FY 2003	2691.176
FY 2004	1780.310	FY 2004	1709.251	FY 2004	2437.771
FY 2005	1852.646	FY 2005	1790.389	FY 2005	2170.550
FY 2006	1901.304	FY 2006	1837.846	FY 2006	1882.764
FY 2007	1994.674	FY 2007	1912.602	FY 2007	1555.637
FY 2008	2089.726	FY 2008	1994.838	FY 2008	1194.633
FY 2009	2193.954	FY 2009	2071.497	FY 2009	939.000
FY 2010	2318.055	FY 2010	2154.203	FY 2010	878.000
FY 2011	2436.550	FY 2011	2243.394	FY 2011	818.000
(1)(B) Cha	(1)(B) Changes in Federal Revenues	(4) Deficits	(4) Deficits or Surpluses (on-budget)	et)	
FY 2001	0.000	FY 2001	29.933		
FY 2002	-65.286	FY 2002	161.361		
FY 2003	-76.067	FY 2003	64.529		
FY 2004	-84.025	FY 2004	71.059		
FY 2005	-97.124	FY 2005	62.257		
FY 2006	-138.279	FY 2006	63.458		
FY 2007	-141.081	FY 2007	82.072		
FY 2008	-153.084	FY 2008	94.888		
FY 2009	-166.162	FY 2009	122.457		
FY 2010	-171.247	FY 2010	163.852		
FY 2011	-191.343	FY 2011	193.156		
(2) Budget	(2) Budget Authority (on-budget)	(5) Public Debt	ebt		
FY 2001	1653.681	FY 2001	5660.699		
FY 2002	1510.948	FY 2002	5603.812		
FY 2003	1668.530	FY 2003	5654.952		
FY 2004	1733.617	FY 2004	5700.089		
FY 2005	1814.079	FY 2005	5751.561		
FY 2006	1866.139	FY 2006	5803.295		
FY 2007	1945.112	FY 2007	5832.676		
FY 2008	2025.075	FY 2008	5847.714		
FY 2009	2102.398	FY 2009	5988.315		
FY 2010	2186.341	FY 2010	6343.661		
FY 2011	2277.143	FY 2011	6720.963		

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FY 2001	BA	255.942 256.932	FY 2001	BA OT	275.467 275.467	FY 2001	BA	84.528
FY 2002	BA OT	273.840 272.122	FY 2002	BA OT	259.162 259.162	FY 2002	BA OT	-118.548
FY 2003	BA TO	283.864	FY 2003	BA OT	252.364 252.364	FY 2003	BA OT	-6.115
FY 2004	BA OT	295.030	FY 2004	BA OT	247.310 247.310	FY 2004	BA OT	-6.268 -5.912
FY 2005	BA OT	309.192	FY 2005	BA OT	240.115 240.115	FY 2005	BA OT	-6.423
FY 2006	BA OT	316.761 315.312	FY 2006	BA OT	235.642 235.642	FY 2006	BA OT	-6.580
FY 2007	BA OT	324.056 322.627	FY 2007	BA OT	232.136 232.136	FY 2007	BA OT	-6.744 -6.665
FY 2008	BA OT	338.278 336.950	FY 2008	BA OT	227.484 227.484	FY 2008	BA OT	-6.908 -6.828
FY 2009	BA OT	349.561 347.987	FY 2009	BA OT	221.933 221.933	FY 2009	BA OT	-7.079 -6.994
FY 2010	BA OT	360.308 358.600	FY 2010	BA OT	214.899 214.899	FY 2010	BA OT	-7.251 -7.165
FY 2011	BA OT	371.593 369.419	FY 2011	BA OT	207.328 207.328	FY 2011	BA OT	-7.429 -7.340

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002 - H. CON. RES. 83
REVISIONS TO CONFERENCE AGREEMENT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 310(c)(2)(A)

(6) Debt Held by the Public 3190.193 2870.259 2403.490 2149.356 1853.129 1528.959 1168.137 939.000 878.000 818.000 2645.586 FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2009 FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 2008 (4) Deficits or Surpluses (on-budget) (3) Budget Outlays (on-budget) 1646.751 1715.191 1798.018 82.951 162.318 56.144 59.749 49.170 1514.367 1480.721 71.899 79.115 94.706 128.442 164.643 200.758 5821.218 5988.315 6343.661 6720.963 1845.505 1919.562 5609.362 5665.808 5773.660 5805.998 2002.538 2079.757 2252.592 5549.837 5730.367 5607.681 2162.922 (5) Public Debt FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2007 FY 2008 FY 2009 FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2007 FY 2008 FY 2008 FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2007 FY 2008 FY 2009 FY 2010 FY 2001 (1)(B) Changes in Federal Revenues Budget Authority (on-budget) (1)(A) Revenues (on-budget) 1597.318 1643.039 1567.519 1514.828 1673.766 1739.557 1821.708 2110.659 2195.060 2286.341 1702.895 1774.940 -89.395 1873.799 -60.449 -33.1441847.188 917.404 1998.677 2097.244 2208.199 2327.565 -79.216 -102.582 -122.179 -137.078 -145.566 151.917 161.737 -174.543 1952.072 2032.774 2453.350 SECTION 101 FY 2008 FY 2009 FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2007 FY 2009 FY 2009 FY 2010 FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2009 FY 2009 FY 2009 FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 2011 FY 2010

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FY 2003	BA OT	291.726	FY 2003	BA OT	249.738 249.738	FY 2003	BA OT	-6.115 -5.222
FY 2004	BA OT	303.109	FY 2004	BA OT	245.171 245.171	FY 2004	BA OT	-6.268 -5.912
FY 2005	BA OT	318.305 316.780	FY 2005	BA OT	238.631	FY 2005	BA OT	-6.423 -6.263
FY 2006	BA OT	325.713 324.264	FY 2006	BA OT	234.349 234.349	FY 2006	BA OT	-6.580 -6.503
FY 2007	BA OT	332.525 331.096	FY 2007	BA OT	230.627 230.627	FY 2007	BA OT	-6.744 -6.665
FY 2008	BA OT	347.396 346.068	2007	50	226.065	0007	КБ;	-6.828
FY 2009	BA OT	359.366 357.792	FY 2009	BA OT	220.389 220.389	FY 2009	BA OT	-7.079 -6.994
FY 2010	BA OT	370.774	FY 2010	BA OT	213.152 213.152	FY 2010	BA OT	-7.251 -7.165
FY 2011	BA OT	382.756 380.582	FY 2011	BA OT	205,363 205,363	FY 2011	BA OT	-7.429 -7.340

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT BUDGET YEAR TOTAL 2001

(in millions of dollars)

Committee		Direct spending jurisdiction		Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts	
		Budget Authority	Outlays	Budget authority	Outlays
Appropriations					
General Purpose Discretionary		640,803	617,507	0	0
•	on-budget	637,372	614,136		
	off-budget	3,431	3,371		
Highways		0	26,920	0	0
Mass Transit		0	4,639	0	0
Mandatory		332,768	316,432	0	0
Total		973,571	965,498	. 0	0
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry		26,339	22,544	29,963	12,133
Armed Services		50,881	50,764	54	54
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs		11,512	4,075	0	0
Commerce, Science, and Transportation	•	394	(3,472)	751	749
Energy and Natural Resources		2,691	2,609	40	51
Environment and Public Works		39,185	1,838	0	0
Finance		707,396	704,780	169,158	169,328
Foreign Relations		11,369	10,433	0	0
Governmental Affairs		60,669	59,270	0	0
Judiciary		5,064	4,847	264	264
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions		9,726	8,740	1,852	1,851
Rules and Administration		112	68	0	0
Veterans' Affairs		1,249	1,245	23,556	23,465
Indian Affairs		267	233	0	0
Small Business		(375)	(475)	0	. 0
Unassigned to Committee		(330,341)	(313,341)	0	0
TOTAL		1,569,709	1,519,656	225,638	207,895

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT BUDGET YEAR TOTAL 2002

(in millions of dollars)

Committee		Direct spending	jurisdiction	Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts		
		Budget Authority	Outlays	Budget authority	Outlays	
Appropriations						
General Purpose Discretionary		546,945	537,091	0	C	
•	on-budget	543,366	533,566		_	
	off-budget	3,579	3,525			
Highways		0	28,489	0	0	
Mass Transit		0	5,275	0	0	
Conservation		1,760	1,232			
Mandatory		358,567	350,837	0	0	
Total	·	907,272	922,924	0	0	
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry		21,175	17,856	22,293	13,209	
Armed Services		53,053	52,964	54	54	
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs		8,417	1,273	0	0	
Commerce, Science, and Transportation		13,452	9,630	805	801	
Energy and Natural Resources		2,543	2,435	40	56	
Environment and Public Works		41,494	1,799	0	0	
Finance		703,580	703,049	185,672	185,713	
Foreign Relations		11,706	10,454	0	0	
Governmental Affairs		62,982	61,610	. 0	0	
Judiciary		5,195	4,669	264	264	
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions		10,179	9,419	1,804	1,822	
Rules and Administration		87	33	0	0	
Veterans' Affairs		1,620	1,622	26,902	26,762	
Indian Affairs		272	280	0	0	
Small Business		0	(100)		0	
Unassigned to Committee		(329,947)	(320,947)	0	0	
TOTAL		1,513,080	1,478,970	237,834	228,681	

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT

5-YEAR TOTAL: 2002-2006

(in millions of dollars)

Committee	Dire	ct spending ju	Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts		
o di il	Budg	et Authority	Outlays	Budget authority	Outlays
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry		69,640	52,349	106,745	71,186
Armed Services		305,980	305,551	274	274
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs		59,463	2,355	0	0
Commerce, Science, and Transportation		72,789	50,419	4,493	4,468
Energy and Natural Resources		11,145	10,947	200	230
Environment and Public Works		181,030	8,380	0	C
Finance		3,770,695	3,767,949	1,086,697	1,086,656
Foreign Relations		59,747	54,108	0	0
Governmental Affairs		337,994	331,886	0	C
Judiciary	*	22,667	22,405	1,320	1,320
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions		48,155	46,411	8,972	8,995
Rules and Administration		436	414	0	0
Veterans' Affairs		9,989	9,964	148,529	147,804
Indian Affairs		1,103	1,116	0	0
Small Business		0	(200)	0	0

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT 10-YEAR TOTAL: 2002-2011

(in millions of dollars)

Committee	Direct spending jur	Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts		
	Budget Authority	Outlays	Budget authority	Outlays
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	114,692	80,210	225,304	156,220
Armed Services	671,521	670,656	549	549
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs	132,028	(3,390)	0	0
Commerce, Science, and Transportation	164,611	118,775	10,178	10,292
Energy and Natural Resources	22,064	21,882	400	430
Environment and Public Works	371,833	15,995	0	0
Finance	8,332,502	8,325,884	2,663,216	2,662,654
Foreign Relations	122,819	113,442	0	0
Governmental Affairs	743,601	733,189	0	C
Judiciary .	45,724	44,848	2,640	2,640
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions	102,173	97,860	17,950	17,973
Rules and Administration	875	916	0	Ċ
Veterans' Affairs	19,277	19,318	317,909	316,669
Indian Affairs	2,112	2,108	. 0	Ć
Small Business	0	(200)	0	0

NATIONAL BOXING SAFETY ACT OF 2001

Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President. I am pleased to join my colleague from Nevada, Senator Reid, as a cosponsor to the National Boxing Safety Act of 2001. Because professional boxing is the only major sport in the United States that is not governed by a strong, centralized association or league to enforce uniform rules and practices, there is no consistent level of state regulation overseeing the practices of those participating in the industry. As the scandals, controversies, and unethical practices continue to persist, the need for a centralized governing body to regulate the sport has become evident.

While I have certain differences with the legislation, I look forward to working with Senator Reid to address these, and together work toward passage of this bill.

THE CUBAN SOLIDARITY ACT OF 2001

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I am honored to lend my support as an original cosponsor to the Cuban Solidarity Act of 2001. As many of us here know, the Cuban Solidarity Act of 2001 goes beyond what the original Helms-Burton Act of 1996 sought to accomplish. Not only does it send a clear signal to the Castro regime that there are consequences to violating political and religious freedoms and human rights, but that we are going to work fervently to bring about a change in his regime.

Four years ago, I spoke here on the Senate floor in condemnation of the cowardly acts of the Cuban government in the shooting down of two civilian aircraft. I also expressed my concerns about the unauthorized use of confiscated United States-citizen-owned property. This bill contains a number of provisions that seek compensation from the Cuban government on both matters.

In Castro's Cuba, dissidents are routinely subjugated to random arrests, exile, imprisonment and beatings for openly opposing the government. During the first two months of 2000, over 350 peaceful human rights activists were arrested. One of the most notable cases included that of Dr. Oscar Biscet of the Lawton Human Rights Foundation, who received three years in prison for protests against abortion and the death penalty.

These violations of human rights taking place only ninety miles from the United States, are a threat to international peace.

Furthermore, many observers are concerned that a successor to Castro is currently being groomed to maintain authoritarian control over the island.

This bill will authorize the President to pursue a more pro-active policy towards changing the regime in Cuba from within. It does so by amending

trade sanctions, which will give the President enhanced tools in supporting pro-democracy and human rights groups. Such new tools include authorizing the export of religious, educational and journalistic materials to individuals and independent groups, as well as office supplies, telephones and fax machines. These individuals and groups may include victims of religious persecution, farm cooperatives, political prisoners, and worker's rights groups just to name a few. The bill will also increase humanitarian aid in the form of food and medicine to children and the elderly.

Another large component of this bill, is the support it gives to micro-enterprise efforts in Cuba. By helping self-employed Cubans start their own businesses, we will help to plant the seeds of independent thinking, democracy and entrepreneurialism which will ensure a more peaceful transition to democracy.

Because Castro will not hold power in Cuba forever, we need to take the necessary steps to make sure a transition to democracy is possible and likely.

It is time for a reinvigorated approach towards Cuba, one that includes bipartisan support. Therefore I am pleased to support the Cuba Solidarity Act of 2001, and I would urge others to do the same.

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2001

Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about hate crimes legislation I introduced with Senator Kennedy last month. The Local Law Enforcement Act of 2001 would add new categories to current hate crimes legislation sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

I would like to describe a heinous crime that occurred October 31, 1999 in Inverness, Florida. After shouting antigay epithets, a teenager allegedly drove into a group of young people dressed in drag on Halloween night, killing 17-year-old Allison Decratel and injuring another person. The teenager, Richard Burzynski Jr., 17, and passenger Thomas Alan Bonneville, 16, drove past the cross-dressed group several times shouting "faggots" at the boys in the group before steering the car into the group of teens. The perpetrators fled the scene but were apprehended 50 miles north of the incident. On November 19, Burzynski was indicted on six counts, including first-degree murder.

I believe that Government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act of 2001 is now a symbol that can become substance. I believe that by passing this legislation, we can change hearts and minds as well.

THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Wednesday, May 16, 2001, the Federal debt stood at \$5,651,674,551,618.32, Five trillion, six hundred fifty-one billion, six hundred seventy-four million, five hundred fifty-one thousand, six hundred eighteen dollars and thirty-two cents.

One year ago, May 16, 2000, the Federal debt stood at \$5,669,366,000,000, Five trillion, six hundred sixty-nine billion, three hundred sixty-six million.

Five years ago, May 16, 1996, the Federal debt stood at \$5,113,662,000,000, Five trillion, one hundred thirteen billion, six hundred sixty-two million.

Ten years ago, May 16, 1991, the Federal debt stood at \$3,460,706,000,000, Three trillion, four hundred sixty billion, seven hundred six million.

Fifteen years ago, May 16, 1986, the Federal debt stood at \$2,030,755,000,000, Two trillion, thirty billion, seven hundred fifty-five million, which reflects a debt increase of more than \$3.5 trillion, \$3,620,919,551,618.32, Three trillion, six hundred twenty billion, nine hundred nineteen million, five hundred fifty-one thousand, six hundred eighteen dollars and thirty-two cents during the past 15 years.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TAIWANESE AMERICAN HERITAGE WEEK

• Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, last week, Taiwanese Americans and all Americans celebrated Taiwanese American Heritage Week. I commend our many citizens of Taiwanese background for the contributions they have made to America.

More than 500,000 Americans are of Taiwanese heritage, and they have achieved impressive successes in business, in science and the arts, in the academic world, and in many other aspects of our national life. They are a vital part of our society and an important part of the strong fabric of American life.

All Americans continue to watch with great interest and support as Taiwan continues to become a stronger nation and a stronger democracy. I share the hope of Taiwanese Americans that Taiwan will continue to prosper in peace and growing economic strength.

TRIBUTE TO STONEWALL JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

• Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to the accomplishments of Stonewall Jackson High School, in Manassas, VA. Stonewall Jackson has been named Time magazine's High School of the Year and is featured in the May 21, 2001 issue.